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Dear Sirs,

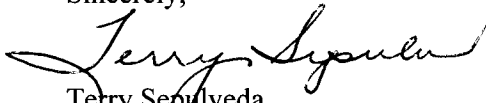
Motion Picture and Television Hospital is in receipt of the California Hospital Outcomes report released to us in June, 1995. Our Medical Staff and Department of Nursing have reviewed the hospital specific measures of outcome for our facility. We are pleased with the outcomes reported for our patient population.

Review of our patients in the study revealed that the diskectomy sample reflected no patients with the complications being reviewed in the study. The acute myocardial infarction population reflected only one patient with the outcome under study. We concur with your sample interpretation guidelines that we exceeded the expected outcome rate for AMI by 0.7% strictly due to chance. With only one case in a sample, we cannot make statistically reasonable assumptions.

Further, in review of the actual case, our clinicians reported the care rendered to be comprehensive and appropriate. The patient was a 94 year old woman with history of aortic insufficiency, coronary artery disease, congestive heart failure and hypertension admitted to ICU with sinus tachycardia. It was estimated that the AMI occurred 24 to 96 hours prior to admission. All patient care intervention was appropriate for the duration of the ICU admission. The patient expired after five hours in the ICU and it was the request of the patient to be "no resuscitation" status.

We thank you for the opportunity to respond to the study results and future publications of this data.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Terry Sepulveda".

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